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Re: Request for Continued Examination (RCE)  
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Sir:

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1. Petition for Extension of Time Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a);
2. Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Transmittal (PTO/SB/30);
3. Amendment and Reply Under 37 CFR § 1.116;
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